





RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 2172 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

This response, submitted in reply to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

As a preliminary matter, Applicant respectfully requests approval of the drawings filed July 3, 2001.